

birds from Homer, Alaska, except that the rump is somewhat less gray. It cannot be matched by a single skin of *littoralis*, of which I have compared a good series from Maine, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. In the majority of these birds the cap and back are conspicuously lighter, more buffy, brown. In *P. h. nigricans* these parts are decidedly darker than in the Ramsey specimen.

It will be recalled that there was a notable southward flight of brown-capped Chickadees in the fall of 1913, the first being recorded on October 29, at South Sudbury, Massachusetts. The species was also observed in Connecticut and Rhode Island (cf. Wright, Auk, 1914, p. 236, and Griseom, *l. c.*, p. 254). According to Dr. Townsend (Auk, April, 1917, p. 160) both of the eastern races of this Chickadee, *P. h. littoralis* and *P. h. nigricans*, were represented in this migration.

The specimen here recorded is the first individual of this race ever taken or seen in New Jersey, so far as we know. In 'The Auk' for April, 1917, p. 218, the writer recorded a specimen of *P. h. nigricans* taken near Plainfield on December 31, 1916, which at that time was the first record of the species from the state. Other individuals observed during the same winter at various localities as far south as Princeton, were probably of the same race. Incidentally it may be well to note that the tail of the Plainfield specimen is very imperfect, and the measurement given by Dr. Townsend (Auk, *l. c.*, p. 163) is incorrect. *P. h. littoralis* is as yet unknown from New Jersey.—W. DEW. MILLER, *American Museum of Natural History, N. Y.*

The Plain Titmouse a New Bird for Oregon.—Among a number of bird skins recently presented to me by my friend, Professor W. M. Clayton, of Santa Ana, California, who lived at Ashland, Oregon, from 1899 to 1902, there is a skin of the Plain Titmouse (*Bucolophus inornatus*), a male shot on April 17, 1900, at Ashland, Oregon, in oak scrub. While there is really nothing unusual in the fact that the bird should be found there, since it is found in Siskiyou County, California, just south of the Oregon boundary line, yet so far as I know it has never been recorded from Oregon. Neither the A. O. U. 'Check-List,' 'The Auk,' nor the 'Birds of Oregon' make mention of it so far as Oregon is concerned. I have no access to the last volume of 'The Condor' and can not say whether a record is there to be found or not. As long, however, as no proof is forthcoming to the contrary, I believe I am entitled to hail this species as a new bird for Oregon.—W. F. HENNINGER, *New Bremen, Ohio.*

The Singing of the Ruby-crowned Kinglet (*Regulus c. calendula*). In an interesting paper entitled "Geographical Variation in the song of the Ruby-crowned Kinglet" ('The Auk,' Vol. XXXVI, pp. 525-528, October, 1919), Mr. Aretas A. Saunders has brought to the attention of the readers of this journal a constant difference which he has observed to exist between the songs of migrant Ruby-crowned Kinglets in the north-